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Resolution #5

TAX CREDITS FOR LANDOWNERS

WHEREAS, wind erosion losses and declines in wildlife habitat have reached alarming proportions in many areas; and

WHEREAS, legislation currently before the Congress would provide for the establishment of wind erosion control and wildlife habitat areas by providing tax credits for landowners incurring expenditures for such areas; and

WHEREAS, there is a demonstrated need for incentives for landowners to carry out essential soil, water, and wildlife conservation measures; and

WHEREAS, a new Farm Act contains language emphasizing long-term, enduring practices under the Agricultural Conservation Program;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the IAFWA hereby urges that the Congress provide tax credits and other financial incentives for landowners establishing and maintaining wind erosion control and wildlife habitat areas, including aquatic areas, and long-term, enduring practices under the ACP.

Resolution #6

THIRD INTERNATIONAL WATERFOWL SYMPOSIUM

WHEREAS, the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies is deeply concerned with the husbandry of North America's waterfowl resource; and

WHEREAS, a citizenry well informed on waterfowl management programs, projects, problems and issues is necessary to the effective conservation of the waterfowl resource; and

WHEREAS, Ducks Unlimited Inc., is sponsoring the Third International Waterfowl Symposium; and

WHEREAS, this Symposium will involve and better inform the participants for a mutual understanding of continental waterfowl resource needs;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies urges its members, the Flyway Councils, and waterfowl enthusiasts everywhere to participate in the Third International Waterfowl Symposium to be held at the Hyatt Regency in New Orleans, Louisiana on January 27, 28, and 29, 1978.

Resolution #7

ACQUISITION OF WETLANDS

WHEREAS, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has reviewed the 20 year old State—Federal waterfowl wetlands acquisition objectives in the light of destruction of prime habitat; and

WHEREAS, the Service concludes that 1.9 million additional acres should be acquired in the next ten years at an estimated total cost of \$650 million; and

WHEREAS, the Service identifies these alternatives or combinations of them, for achieving part or all of the needed funding: 1. allow the Secretary of the Interior to set the price of the Duck Stamp in accordance with farm real estate price increases, raising the fee in increments, possibly going as high as \$17 in 1987; 2. require waterfowl hunters of all ages to possess a Duck Stamp; 3. eliminate or postpone repayment of wetlands loan advances scheduled to